

A SUPPLEMENT to an ACT, entitled, an Act for the protection of Oysters in the waters of the Eastern Shore of this State, passed at December session, eighteen hundred and thirty-one, chapter two hundred and forty-nine, so far as relates to the waters bordering on Queen Anne's County.—1836, ch. 186.

Preamble.

WHEREAS, the protection of oysters in the waters of Queen Anne's county is a subject in which the citizens thereof are deeply concerned, and the legislature of Maryland, by sundry laws passed for the protection of oysters within this state, and by the law to which this is a supplement, have sought to secure the advantages resulting from that article of trade, which have fallen short of the object they were designed to accomplish; *And whereas*, citizens of this and other states infesting said waters, have continued to take and carry away oysters in violation of the laws upon that subject enacted, and it is justly apprehended that oysters in the waters of this county will be entirely destroyed; therefore,

Unlawful to catch within 300 yards.

SEC. 1. *Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That from and after the passage of this act, it shall not be lawful for any person or persons, other than citizens of Queen Anne's county, to take, catch, carry away or otherwise destroy any oysters within three hundred yards of low water mark, in any of the waters bordering on the shores of said county.

Penalties.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That if any person or persons shall be found guilty of the violation of this act, or any part thereof, he, she, or they shall be subject to all the liabilities and penalties of the act to which this is a supplement.

Repeal.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted,* That so much of the act to which this is a supplement, as is inconsistent with the provisions of this act, be, and the same are hereby repealed, so far as relates to Queen Anne's county.

POOR.

AN ACT for the relief of the Poor of Queen Anne's County.—1788, ch. 15.

Preamble.

WHEREAS, many of the inhabitants of Queen Anne's county, by their humble petition to this general assembly, have set forth, that the taxes for the support of the poor of their county are very heavy and burthensome, but are notwithstanding, under the present regulation, inadequate to the comfortable subsistence of said poor; that a work-house has become necessary for the reception and employment of beggars, vagrants and vagabonds; and that the free school of the said county does not answer the purposes of its institution; and have therefore prayed, that an act may pass to appropriate the said free school, with the land and funds belonging to the same, to the use of an alms and work-house for the said county;